

# **ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMITTEE**

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.**

### **DEXTER SENIOR CENTER**

#### **THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER**

Members present: Victoria Schon, Mike Vickers, Tom Rosenbaum, Lynn Babcock, Rich Bellas, James Davis, Cristen Rinderknecht, Angie Noble, Cheryl Willoughby and Paul Cousins.

Friend of Paint Dexter Present: Pete Noll

Guest Present: Gordon Hall Management Team Representative & Village Trustee Donna Fisher

Plein Air Review. The Committee reviewed the Plein Air agenda. The Committee discussed the Thursday “Meet the Artist” wine and cheese event. The children’s activities will be held on Wednesday from 2 pm to 7 pm and Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. Wednesday’s event will be still life painting under the tent and Saturday’s will be chalk art. The Committee discussed the sale of the Plein Air artwork. The decision was made to start the silent auction on Friday evening and continue it into Saturday. A “buy now” price will also be provided however the art will need to stay on display until Saturday afternoon.

Notes from the March meeting were reviewed and no changes were made.

Temporary Art Display. Patti Schwarz of River Gallery in Chelsea has offered to provide a quote to provide the management of a future temporary sculpture display. The Committee had previously discussed working with the Midwest Sculpture Initiative. This idea will be discussed further at the May meeting.

Public Art Updates. Four proposals have been received so far for the LaFontaine sculpture – the due date was today. Rick DeTroyer provided a model of the bicycle sculpture. These public art models/proposals will be reviewed at the Village Office on April 15, 2014 at 1 pm. Any Committee members available to attend are welcome. The Dexter Lions have proposed an idea for a sculpture in Lion’s Park. The sculpture would be built to be accessible to the visually impaired. The Committee was supportive of the idea and is looking forward to seeing sketches from the artist.

Katharine Dexter McCormick project. Victoria updated the Committee on her conversations with Dan Cooney. He and his writer are moving forward researching Katharine Dexter McCormick and putting a story board of the play together. Victoria and James Davis met to discuss possible funding opportunities. Trustee Fisher will relay the idea to the Historical Society so that they are aware of the project.

Ypsilanti Convention & Visitor’s Bureau Community Tourism Action Plan. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 11:30 pm at the Dexter District Library.